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Addendum

1. As indicated in paragraph 67 of my main report, dated 9 June 1998 (S/1998/486), I wish to inform the Security Council of the estimated cost of establishing the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone (UNOMSIL). It is estimated that the total cost for an initial six-month period would amount to some $18.3 million gross, inclusive of some $1.4 million relating to the strengthening of the office of my Special Envoy in Freetown for the period beginning 17 April 1998. The estimated requirements consist of some $5.9 million of non-recurrent costs and recurrent costs equivalent to a monthly rate of some $2.1 million.

2. The cost estimates for the Observer Mission provide for the deployment of a total of 186 military and civilian personnel consisting of 70 military observers, a 15-person medical unit, 5 civilian police advisers, 48 international civilian personnel and 48 locally recruited staff.

3. A breakdown of the estimated requirements by main categories of expenditure is provided for information purposes, in the annex to the present addendum.

4. It would be my recommendation to the General Assembly, should the Security Council decide to establish UNOMSIL, that the related costs should be considered an expense of the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations and that the assessments to be levied on Member States should be credited to a special account to be established for that purpose.

Annex

Cost estimates for the establishment of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone for an initial six-month period

(Thousands of United States dollars)

1.	Military personnel costs	3 020
2.	Civilian personnel costs	5 410
3.	Premises/accommodation	410
4.	Infrastructure repairs	90
5.	Transport operations	1 550
6.	Air operations	1 270
7.	Naval operations	460
8.	Communications	4 030
9.	Other equipment	1 050
10.	Supplies and services	390
11.	Election-related supplies and services	–
12.	Public information programmes	–
13.	Training programmes	–
14.	Mine-clearing programmes	–
15.	Assistance for disarmament and demobilization	–
16.	Air and surface freight	170
17.	United Nations Logistics Base, Brindisi	–
18.	Support account for peacekeeping operations	–
19.	Staff assessment	470
	Total, lines 1-19	18 320